Transportation/Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 12, 2009 2:08 P.M.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chair: CM Fleming

Members: CM Benson, CM Owen, CM Engel & CW Ward-Pugh

Absent: CW Green & CM Johnson (excused absences)

Also Present: CM Heiner & CM Blackwell

Chairman Fleming announced the members of the committee who were present. A quorum was established.

Pending Legislation

1- R-219-11-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN

AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET CONCERNING A \$60,000.00 GRANT FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A FARNSLEY-

MOREMAN ACCESS ROAD.

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Robert Henderson

Motion to approve made by Robin Engel and seconded by Tina Ward-Pugh

Discussion: CM Blackwell spoke on behalf of CM Henderson and stated this would allow for the access road to go to the chapel located on the Farnsley-Moorman Property.

By unanimous voice vote, the Resolution was approved.

The item was sent to CONSENT CALENDAR.

2- R-227-11-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO EIGHT AGREEMENTS WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET

CONCERNING VARIOUS PROJECTS AS DESCRIBED HEREIN.

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Tom Owen

Motion to approve made by Stuart Benson and seconded by Tom Owen

Discussion: CM Owen stated the 8 projects would come close to \$2 million. These are Federal dollars being filtered through the State and down to Metro for various projects involving transportation, bicycle, signage, striping, safe-routes for schools and capital enhancements.

By unanimous voice vote, the Resolution was approved.

The item was sent to CONSENT CALENDAR.

R-228-11-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF RIVER CITY (TARC) CONCERNING AN \$800,000 GRANT TO CONSTRUCT BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS UPGRADES ON PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY.

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Status: In-Committee

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Tom Owen

Motion to approve made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Stuart Benson

Discussion: Transit Authority of the River City (TARC) has an \$800,000 grant and is proposing several various locations where safety is an issue for the community to walk to bus stops. The improvements are requested and an 80/20 match from Council Members Neighborhood Development Funds. The committee requested a plan or identification of the locations needing improvements. Time sensitivity was mentioned on the expenditure of these grant funds. CM Fleming stated he would obtain the requested information from Mr. Barker at TARC and notify the other Council/Committee Members.

By unanimous voice vote, the Resolution was approved with the caveat the requested detail of information was provided to the Chair and Committee members before the Metro Council meeting on November 19th.

The item was sent to OLD BUSINESS.

R-207-10-09 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET TO AUTHORIZE LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH A PERMITTING PROCESS FOR THE PLACEMENT OF STREET FURNITURE IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAYS OF KENTUCKY STATE HIGHWAYS LOCATED WITHIN LOUISVILLE METRO.

Status: In Committee - Tabled
Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor:

Hal Heiner Kelly Downard Mary C. Woolridge Rick Blackwell Kenneth C. Fleming

Motion to untable made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Robin Engel, without objection the item was untabled.

Discussion: CM Heiner and CM Blackwell were present to support the item. CM Heiner gave a brief overview of the resolution and the intention of the request. Currently within Louisville Metro, there are regulations which govern street furniture - placement, safety of location, appearance, as well as the construction of the furniture. Metro's regulation was believed to be last updated around 2 or 3 years ago, and is content neutral and provides for an orderly annual process. Not all major roads are Metro roads, such as Preston Highway, Dixie Highway and Shelbyville Road; these are State owned Right-of-Ways. The State owns the permitting along these roadways, including street furniture. Billboard benches have steadily become an issue and no permits are in place for these. The request in the proposed Resolution would establish a uniform permitting process throughout Metro, to include State Roads and allow for modification to the maintenance agreement between Metro Louisville and the State Transportation Department.

There is no revenue being gained or lost by the State on the placement or removal of these benches. Metro currently has no enforcement capabilities for the placement of these on State Right-of-Ways and the request for the uniform permitting process would allow for permissible regulations.

CW Ward-Pugh and CM Engel requested to be added as co-sponsors of the item.

Motion to approve made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Robin Engel.

By unanimous voice vote, the Resolution was approved.

The item was sent to CONSENT CALENDAR.

R-167-08-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET CONCERNING A \$973,900.00 GRANT FOR A RIVER ROAD CORRIDOR BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (STATE PO NUMBER PO2-628-0900022397).

Status: In Committee - Held

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Tom Owen

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This item REMAINED HELD IN COMMITTEE.

Motion to adjourn made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Tom Owen; without objection, the meeting adjourned at 2:44PM

*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on November 19, 2009.

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